

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

**IN-PERSON JURY CRIMINAL TRIAL**

<b>United States of America,</b>	)	<b>COURT MINUTES</b>
	)	Paul A. Magnuson
Plaintiff,	)	United States District Judge
	)	
v.	)	
	)	Case No: 21-CR-108(2) (3) (4) (PAM/TNL)
	)	Date: Thursday, February 17, 2022
<b>Tou Thao (2),</b>	)	Courthouse: Saint Paul
<b>J Alexander Kueng, (3),</b>	)	Courtroom: 7D
<b>Thomas Kiernan Lane (4),</b>	)	Deputy: Lynn L. Magee
	)	Court Reporter: Renee Rogge
Defendants.	)	Time Commenced: 9:20 a.m.
	)	Time Concluded: 4:20 p.m.
	)	Time in Court: 5 Hours 30 Minutes

**APPEARANCES:**

Plaintiff: LeeAnn Bell, Samantha Trepel, Manda Sertich, Allen Slaughter  
 Defendants: Robert Paule, Natalie Paule – Thao (2)  
                   Thomas Plunkett – Kueng (3)  
                   Earl Gray – Lane (4)

**PROCEEDINGS:**

Trial Discussions with Counsel (9:20 a.m. – 9:35 a.m.)  
 Cross-Examination of Witness by Manda Sertich Continues (9:35 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.)  
 Break (11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.)  
 Cross-Examination of Witness Continues (11:45 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.)  
 Re-Direct Examination of Witness by Thomas Plunkett (11:55 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.)  
 Re-Cross Examination of Witness by Manda Sertich and Witness Excused (12:10 p.m. – 12:15 p.m.)  
 Witness Testimony (Steve Ijames) by Thomas Plunkett (12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.)  
 Break (12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)  
 Trial Discussions with Counsel (1:55 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)  
 Witness Testimony Continues (2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.)  
 Cross-Examination of Witness by Manda Sertich (2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.)  
 Break (3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.)  
 Cross-Examination Continues, Witness Excused, Defendant Kueng Rested (3:30 p.m. – 3:35 p.m.)  
 Witness Testimony (Gary Nelson, Retired MPD Lt.) by Earl Gray (3:35 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.)  
 Cross-Examination of Witness by Samantha Trepel (4:00 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.)  
 Re-Direct Examination of Witness by Earl Gray, and Witness Excused (4:10 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.)  
 Jury Trial will continue on Monday, February 21, 2022, at 9:30 a.m., in Courtroom 7D,  
 Saint Paul Courthouse.

Date: Thursday, February 17, 2022

s/Lynn L. Magee

Courtroom Deputy to  
 The Hon. Paul A. Magnuson